

## Message Text

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SUBJECT: AMSPECT DR GLADYS MARIE FRY

1. DR. GLADYS MARIE FRY. AMSPEC. ICS/DA. "BLACK FOLKLORE IN THE  
UNITED STATES: IT CONTENTS AND SIGNIFICANCE."

2. QP - F, ED - F, AR - F TO G, RO - F.

3. HOUR PRESENTATION, READ FROM LECTURE NOTES WHICH DIMINISHED  
EFFECTIVENESS. GAVE SAME LECTURE TO TWO AUDIENCES, ONE TO POOR  
TURN-OUT OF ABOUT 12 PEOPLE (MULTI-RACIAL) AT WHITE UNIVERSITY;  
THE OTHER TO BLACK GROUP OF 65 IN SOWETO. TOPIC IMPLIED OVERVIEW OF  
BLACK FOLKLORE IN U.S., BUT SHE DID NOT ADDRESS SUBJECT. AFTER FIRST  
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LECTURE, SHE SAID SHE WAS INTENT ON IMPRESSING PREDOMINANTLY-WHITE  
SA AUDIENCE THAT BLACK AMERICANS USE SOPHISTICATED TECHNIQUES IN  
COLLECTING FOLKLORE, AND THIS INTENT WAS OBVIOUS DURING HER PRESEN-  
TATION. LECTURE TO BLACK AUDIENCE BETTER, THOUGH SHE CONCENTRATED  
ON FOUR SPECIFIC EXAMPLES OF FOLKLORE IN HER BOOK, "NIGHT RIDERS,"  
WHICH SHOW METHODS WHITES USE TO SUPPRESS BLACKS. DR FRY MUCH WARMER  
AND DEFFECTIVE IN DISCUSSION GIVE-AND-TAKE, BUT CONCENTRATED ON

NEGATIVE ASPECTS OF BLACK AMERICAN LIFE AND LEFT MIS-IMPRESSIONS  
WITH SUCH STATEMENTS AS "AMERICAN BLACKS CONSIDER THEMSELVES  
AFRICANS FIRST AND AMERICANS SECOND,' AND "WE BLACKS ARE STILL  
SLAVES."  
HUGHES

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